

baseman; Art Butler, infielder, and Jim Robinson, pitcher.

From any angle the edge seems to be all in favor of the Cards. Miller is not as strong a batter as Konetchy, but is a better fielder, and cannot be classed as a weakling with the stick. Mike Mowrey is a good third baseman, better than Dolan, but Butler is a young comer, who has shown lots of promise. Chief Wilson, a right fielder, carries a clean-up punch in his bat.

It is in the pitchers that Huggins seems to have made the best deal. Harmon is no wonder, though slightly better than the average. He will not set the league afire. Robinson, on the other hand, is a comparative rookie, flings with his left hand, and does his work well.

Joe Tinker is one man who believes Clark was badly stung on the deal.

"That boy Robinson is a fine pitcher, and Jack Miller can play first base every bit as good as Konetchy," is the way Tinker has the dicker sized up.

A deal advantageous to both clubs was the shift of Herzog and Hartley of the Giants to Cincinnati in exchange for Outfielder Bob Bescher. This is a bigger affair than is at first apparent, and points a shake-up in the Giant battle line for next year.

Herzog, who can play shortstop as well as third base, is slated to manage the Reds. The Maryland lad is a star player. Whether he will have the usual trouble of Red managers remains to be seen. Hartley is a young catcher of great possibilities, and Herrmann is especially weak behind the bat.

Bescher will undoubtedly get a regular place on the New York team. Bullet Bob is a fleet baserunner, an ideal man for the McGraw style of rushing attack, and will fit in nicely at center, between Murray and Burns. Bescher bats from either side of the plate and is a dependable producer when hits count.

The coming of Bescher means the

passing of Snodgrass as a Giant regular, though he will probably be retained on the team, for the present, at least. Snodgrass has been severely panned during the past two world's series fights with the American League for real or fancied misplays, and has outlived his usefulness in New York. Bescher is not his equal as a sticker, but is faster on the bases, and immeasurably superior in the field.

Both Merkle and Snodgrass are on McGraw's bad books, and the word has come from Japan, where the little corporal is on world tour, to dispose of the pair if something worth while can be secured in return. An indication of this feeling was had yesterday when St. Louis was offered Merkle, Snodgrass and Wilson for Konetchy.

Art Butler, traded by Pittsburgh to St. Louis, was married yesterday. His bride did not know of Art's misfortune at the time.

Barney Dreyfuss of Pittsburgh was reappointed to act for the National League on the schedule committee.

Jess Willard has found some one he can knock out. A person with the ferocious moniker of One Round Davis dropped in the second round at Buffalo, N. Y., Willard swinging a right. Jess outweighed his enemy about 50 pounds.

Harvard has offered Michigan a football game next fall, to be played Oct. 24 at Cambridge. The matter will be decided late this afternoon by Wolverine athletic authorities. Harvard's offer came after Chicago had turned down a similar invitation.

Frank Klaus and George Chip have been matched for a fight in Pittsburgh the night of Dec. 23. Chip leaped to fame a few weeks ago by knocking Klaus out.

Leach Cross and Bud Anderson have been matched to fight twenty rounds in Los Angeles New Year's day.

C. W. Somers, owner of the Cleve-